MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents

From: Board Office

Subject: Proposed Curriculum Changes, University of Northern Iowa

Date: March 1, 2004

Recommended Action:

Refer proposed curriculum revisions for the University of Northern Iowa's 2004-2006 General Catalog to the Board Office and the Interinstitutional Committee on Educational Coordination (ICEC) for review and recommendation.

Executive Summary:

Revisions to 2004-2006 Catalog

The University of Northern Iowa requests approval of the proposed revisions for its 2004-2006 General Catalog.

Curriculum change is ongoing

According to the University's request, curriculum change at UNI is an ongoing process initiated by faculty. Departments use academic program review, student outcomes assessment, and input from professional organizations, accrediting bodies, advisory boards, and program graduates to inform assessment and guide curricular change.

Three new majors proposed

The catalog proposal incorporates requests for the addition of three new undergraduate majors and two new undergraduate minors. In addition, the catalog proposal reflects the elimination of three graduate degree programs and one undergraduate degree program.

62 new courses and 67 courses discontinued

The catalog proposal calls for the addition of 62 new courses and the discontinuation of 67 courses. The following section details the addition and discontinuation of degree programs by UNI college. Table 1, on page 3 of this memo, summarizes proposed changes in UNI 2004-2006 catalog.

MAJORS, MINORS ADDED OR DISCONTINUED BY COLLEGE:

The following is a list of new degrees and discontinuations of academic programs for approval by the Board of Regents.

College of Business Administration

No new degrees or discontinuations.

College of Education

Add: Undergraduate minor in Severe Disabilities (pending Regent approval)

(Department of Special Education)

Discontinue: B.A. in Mental Disabilities: Moderate/Severe/Profound (Initial notification of suspension

of admissions: February, 2004.) (Department of Special Education)

College of Humanities and Fine Arts

Add: Undergraduate minor in Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences (pending Regent approval)

(Department of Communicative Disorders)

Discontinue: M.A. in Audiology (Initial notification of suspension of admissions: January, 2002.)

(Department of Communicative Disorders)

Discontinue: M.A. in Theatre (Initial notification of suspension of admissions: November, 2003.)

(Department of Theatre)

College of Natural Sciences

Add: B.S. in Bioinformatics (pending Regent approval)

(Department of Computer Science)

Add: B.S. in Networking and System Administration (pending Regent approval)

(Department of Computer Science)

Add: B.S. in Software Engineering (pending Regent approval)

(Department of Computer Science)

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Discontinue: M.A. in Political Science (Initial notification of suspension of admissions: January,

2003.)

(Department of Political Science)

Table 1: Summary of Proposed Changes in the 2004-2006 University of Northern Iowa Catalog

	New Majors	New Minors	Dis- continued Majors	Dis- continued Minors	New Courses	Dis- continued Courses
College of Business Administration	0	0	0	0	2	6
College of Education	0	1	1	0	12	13
College of Humanities and Fine Arts	0	1	2	0	15	17
College of Natural Sciences	3	0	0	0	15	12
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences	0	0	1	0	18	19
Total	3	2	4	0	62	67

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